# 2008 ARIZONA LEADERCORPS PROGRAM

"BUILDING LEADERSHIP THROUGH SERVICE"

SPONSORED BY THE ARIZONA GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON SERVICE & VOLUNTEERISM AND THE ARIZONA STATE OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL & COMMUNITY SERVICE





## PROGRAM INFORMATION

### WHAT IS ARIZONA LEADERCORPS?

Arizona LeaderCorps provides leadership opportunities for AmeriCorps\*State, VISTA and National Direct members currently involved in service across the state. LeaderCorps was founded in 1995 to promote, develop and challenge National Service members to plan, organize and implement trainings and services opportunities to foster an ethic of service. As part of Arizona LeaderCorps, members will:

- Act as ambassadors of National Service in Arizona.
- Lead the planning and implementation of the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual National and Community Service Conference.
- Assist with other regional and statewide National Service events.

# WHO CAN BE AN ARIZONA LEADERCORPS MEMBER?

- AmeriCorps\*State, VISTA, Tribal and National Direct programs are allotted up to two (2) LeaderCorps slots. This year's LeaderCorps class will consist of up to 26 participants.
- Programs may use their discretion in selecting LeaderCorps applicants.
- Any AmeriCorps member who serves through August 2007 is eligible to apply.
- The LeaderCorps class of 2008 will be selected by Governor's Commission on Service and Volunteerism staff and CNCS State Office staff

### TERM OF SERVICE FOR LEADERCORPS MEMBERS:

- Arizona LeaderCorps members serve for approximately six (6) months (February July).
- Members applying to become a LeaderCorps member must commit to participating in the program through July 2008.

# **LEADERCORPS SERVICE COMMITMENT AND PROGRAM ACTIVITIES:**

- LeaderCorps members will attend three statewide training events (February, April and June), plus a full day pre-conference training in July before the Annual Conference in Flagstaff.
- LeaderCorps members will assist in the development and implementation of other regional and/or statewide National Service events.
- Each member will serve on at least one Annual Conference Work Team that will be responsible for an area of conference preparation and implementation, which will involve making a significant commitment on a weekly basis.

#### **LEADER CORPS SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:**

Below is a list of scheduled events for the 2008 Arizona LeaderCorps Program. The Governor's Commission on Service and Volunteerism will require that members be credited, at a minimum, the hours indicated below:

February	LeaderCorps Retreat	Prescott	22 hours (Training)
March	Regional Share Fairs	Phoenix, Tucso	n, and Flagstaff
April	LeaderCorps Retreat	Tucson	16 hours (Training)
June	LeaderCorps Retreat	Flagstaff	16 hours (Training)
July 21-23	Conference Preparation	Flagstaff	8 hours (Training)
July 23-25	Annual Conference	Flagstaff	TBD by program
July 25	LeaderCorps Graduation	Flagstaff	4 hours (Training)

### **COST TO THE AMERICORPS PROGRAM/HOST SITE:**

There is no cost to the AmeriCorps Program and/or host site agencies. All costs including mileage\*, lodging and meals will be covered by the Governor's Commission on Service and Volunteerism and the CNCS State Office. Mileage costs will be reimbursed after each event to those who drive.

\*Mileage reimbursement will be limited to those who drive carpools of more than two people only.

# **BENEFITS OF LEADERCORPS:**

- **For the Member:** Opportunities for leadership training in meeting facilitation, team building, communication skills, conference planning, community outreach, service project development and other leadership topics.
- For the AmeriCorps Program, AmeriCorps Host-Site, AC\*VISTA Site: A highly trained and enthusiastic National Service member who has a network of service partners across the state in the areas of education, social service, county government, law enforcement, public service, etc.
- For the Community: An active and trained leader who can "get things done" on a grassroots level by motivating people through modeling an ethic of service through strengthened leadership and communication skills.
- For the Corporation for National Service and the Governor's Commission on Service and Volunteerism: Highly skilled and motivated ambassadors of service and local connections to communities through LeaderCorps members.

### **APPLICATION PROCESS:**

- Complete the membership application and questionnaire. The member, Program Director, and Service Site Supervisor and Program Director/CNCS State Office must sign the application.
- Applications must be received by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 26, 2008.
   Mail or fax to:

#### **AMERICORPS MEMBERS**

Aaron Fanwick Governor's Division for Community and Youth Development 1700 West Washington, Suite 101 Phoenix, Arizona 85007 Fax: (602) 542-3423

• Applicants will be notified by February 3, 2008.

# AMERICORPS\*VISTA MEMBERS

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If you have any questions regarding LeaderCorps or the application process, please contact Aaron Fanwick at (602) 542-3495 or email at <u>Afanwick@az.gov</u>, or Kimberly Will-Broadie at (602) 514-7224, or email to <u>kbroadie@cns.gov</u>.